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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper accompanies documents submitted to establish the U.S. national stage of the above-identified international patent application.

The international patent application was amended under PCT Article 34 and the claims as-amended are annexed to the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER).

Before calculation of the filing fee and before examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as amended under Article 34 on November 28, 2000 as shown on the appended APPENDIX OF CLAIMS, which includes amended and non-amended claims. Also appended hereto an APPENDIX OF MARKED UP CLAIMS showing the changes which have been made.